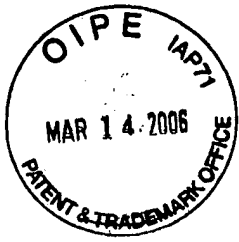


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AMENDMENT & RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

The attached amendment and response is in reply to the non-final Office Action mailed December 15, 2005 from the USPTO. Please amend the application and consider the remarks which follow. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Please also revise the attorney docket number as noted above.

This response is being filed within the three-month period for response to the Office Action. Accordingly, no fee is believed to be due. Should any fees be required, however, please charge all such fees in connection with this filing to our Deposit Account No. 50-0310.